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To the Duke of Roxburg.

Guldeford. Nov. 9. 1726

my Lord Duke

The following is true, as it will be testifyed upon oath by several witnes. One Mary Tosl aged 23 has had 3 children. She is the wife of John Tosl. a poor journeyman Clother in the parish of Godliman being five weeks gon with child the 23 of Ap. 1726 was weeding of wheat near that town with three other woman up lep't a rabbit, this deponent and one of the weman run after it but could not catch it. So they return'd to there work again, about a quarter of an hour after they put up an other rabbit, then that deponent and two of the weman run after it a pretty while but it got away, after it was gon this deponent said y^t if they had not been fools they might agot it, one of the weman said to this deponent: I believe you long for or has a mind to one of the rabbits, but she said with concernment y^t she did not, this run in this deponent head all that day, if she had but caught one of the rabbets, she could eat it. When abed she dreamt that she saw abeun dance of rabbets, and could not get them out of her head, the next morning about six oclock she got up, and went to the same field in hope's of finding a rabbit in the place where she put them up, she put a bow as a mark to find the place with her hat in her hand in hope's of covering the rabbits but find ing none she was very much concerned all y^t day she could not get them out of her mind, one of the rabbit was gray and y^e other blackish w^th Black one was usal in her thoughts. She dreamt of them for a quarter of a year the 27 of Sept last I delivered her

of a black rabbit, full grown the lungs and heart grow's without the body joining to the lower part of the neck, it had three cats feet, and one rabbets foot, Cats guts, and out of one of the guts I cut out three Vertebres of an Eel, I have since delivered this woman of ten rabbit, they where all alive before they was deliver'd, the last leapt 23 hours before it died, as soon as one dyes an other leaps up, the twelfth rabbit I believe I shall take from her about six oclock, I have eleven of them in spirits when it's over I shall give the Royal Society a full account, I cannot tell how long before these rabbits will adone comming away, if she had been with child she has but ten days to go

I am your Graces
most humble and
Obedient Ser^{t}
to Com^{d}
John Howard.